Consultant Services: Project Finance Specialist and Transaction Advisor - Indonesia MCC-14-RFQ-0118

- 1. This is a combined synopsis/solicitation for commercial items prepared in accordance with the format in Subpart 12.6, as supplemented with additional information included in this notice. This announcement constitutes the only solicitation; quotes are being requested and a written solicitation will not be issued. The solicitation number is MCC-14-RFQ-01181 and is issued as a Request for Quotations (RFQ). This solicitation document incorporates all mandatory commercial item provisions and clauses that are in effect through Federal Acquisition Circular (FAC) 2005-74, Effective July 01, 2014.
- 2. The North American Industrial Classification System (NAICS) code is **541611** and the small business size standard is **\$14.0 million**.
- 3. FAR Clauses 52.212-1 through 52.212-5 apply to this procurement. The exact text and wording of clauses and provisions may be obtained from the Internet at http://acquisition.gov/far/index.html. The Government contemplates the award of a Time and Materials Order resulting from this solicitation. NOTE: An Addendum to FAR clause 52.212-4 Contract Terms and Conditions-Commercial Items, (Alt I) is attached.
- 4. The Millennium Challenge Corporation (MCC) is a U.S. Government corporation whose mission is to provide assistance that will support economic growth and poverty reduction in carefully selected countries that demonstrate a commitment to just and democratic governance economic freedom, and investments in their citizenry. For more information on the MCC, please visit www.mcc.gov.
- 5. THIS ANNOUNCEMENT IS FOR AN INDEPENDENT CONSULTANT AND IS NOT FOR INDIVIDUALS SEEKING EMPLOYMENT DIRECT WITH MCC. PLEASE VISIT: http://www.irs.gov/business/small/index.html FOR INFORMATION REGARDING INDEPENDENT CONTRACTORS. Note: MCC will assist the consultant in coordinating with an Independent Contractor Engagement Services Provider for payroll, travel, international travel insurance, etc., therefore, a DUNS number and registration in System for Award Management (SAMS) is not required.
- 6. <u>Description of Services:</u> The Consultant shall support MCC in overseeing the implementation of the GP Finance Facility and Technical Assistance and Oversight activities. In this capacity, the Consultant will help MCC oversee the work of MCA-I and provide independent assessment of the financing challenges, opportunities, and requirements associated with supporting investments (projects) in the renewable energy,

agriculture, forestry, and natural resource management sectors. The Consultant shall review and comment on draft versions of the Operations Manual(s) and other technical documents related to the design and implementation of the GP Finance Facility and the deployment of project preparation and advisory services under the Technical Assistance and Oversight Activity. The Consultant shall support MCC with on-going due diligence of similar financing facilities and the experience and capacity of existing financial institutions operating in the geographic areas and sectors in which Green Prosperity will focus. The Consultant shall also help review and advise on individual transactions that are funded, or being considered for funding by the GP Finance Facility.

This role requires interaction with the MCA-Indonesia Green Prosperity Project Director and other members of the MCA-Indonesia team, as well as other relevant public and private sector (including NGO and CSO) counterparts. The Consultant shall support MCC's Green Prosperity Implementation Support Team (IST), which consists of representatives of each operating unit within MCC that has an on-going responsibility for one or more aspects of the implementation, oversight, or assessment of this project.

The Consultant shall report to the MCC Green Prosperity Team Lead in Washington DC and to MCC's Resident Country Director (RCD) in Jakarta. The GP Project Lead is responsible for the leadership of the Green Prosperity IST and for the delivery of results in accordance with agreed-upon implementation plans. The RCD is MCC's primary contact with the Government of Indonesia and MCA-I and has the responsibility for the effective administration of the Indonesia Compact.

The Consultants shall work principally from his/her home office with required travel to MCC countries as directed by the COR. The position requires occasional domestic travel to GP project areas in the field and periodic trips to MCC's office in Washington D.C.

- 7. This combined synopsis and solicitation notice is a request for competitive quotations. Therefore, all quotations received prior to the RFQ close date will be considered.
- 8. The Government will award an order to the responsible independent consultant(s) whose quote conforming to this notice represents the best value in terms of technical criteria, past performance and price. All non-price factors (technical criteria and past performance) are more important than price.
- 9. **Evaluation Factors**: Only quotes which meet the <u>required</u> technical evaluation criteria will be considered.

TECHNICAL EVALUATION CRITERIA

(1) Extensive International Finance experience in developing countries, with specific experience in project and structured financing and public-private partnerships in the energy sector preferred. (MANDATORY)Minimum of 15 years of experience working in environmental and/or social field (MANDATORY).

- (2) Demonstrated experience with structuring and managing infrastructure transactions with direct experience related to environmentally and socially responsible investment strategies. (MANDATORY)
- (3) Familiarity with the enabling environment and regulatory framework for project finance in Indonesia, with previous experience working in Indonesia. (MANDATORY)
- (4) Oral and written English fluency. (MANDATORY)
- (5) Risk allocation/mitigation skills, including knowledge of risk transfer and guarantee/insurance products.
- (6) Bahasa Indonesia language skills are desired.

Other Requirements: International travel is required. Consultants may be requested to mobilize on short notice. Ideal candidates will have senior-level experience doing similar work in the private sector, or working with a development organization such as the World Bank Group, international NGO, or other international development agency. Familiarity with MCC's development model is also desirable.

PAST PERFORMANCE

Three (3) professional references for relevant work performed during the past three years.

PRICE

The Government will examine the proposed rates for reasonableness.

- 10. **Evaluation Methodology:** The Government will perform a comparative analysis of quotes and will assess the advantages and disadvantages of each quote as related to the Evaluation Factors. <u>Multiple awards</u> may be made from this notice and all quotes will be retained and may be utilized for requirements for a period of 6 months.
- 11. Quote Deadline: Independent Consultants are invited to submit their quotations in response to this notice by 2:00 pm Eastern Standard Time (EST), August 08, 2014. Only e-mailed requests for additional information will be accepted at mccconsultants@mcc.gov by 12:00 pm eastern standard time on July 31, 2014. Quotations submitted in response to this notice shall include the solicitation number AND description in the subject line and be signed, dated and submitted via email to MCCConsultants@mcc.gov. The maximum file size is 10mb.
- 12. **Quote Submission:** The Individual Consultant shall submit the following documents:

<u>Technical</u>: (1) Cover letter that addresses all technical criteria as listed in this solicitation (5 pages maximum); (2) Curriculum Vitae (15 page maximum);

Past Performance: Three professional references;

<u>Price</u>: Bio-Data Form which includes the independent consultant's proposed rate and salary history. See Attachment.

- 13. FAR 52.212.3, Offeror Representations and Certifications Commercial Items shall be required from the selected consultant, prior to the time of award.
- 14. There are no additional contract requirements(s) necessary for this acquisition other than those consistent with customary commercial practices.
- 15. See attached documents entitled: (1) Addendum to FAR Clause 52.212-4, (Alt I); (2) MCC Bio-Data Form and (3) Statement of Work.